

Remarks regarding the term "medicant":

In the telephone interview between Applicant's representative, Kathryn Hester, and the Examiner, of September 21, 2006, the Examiner stated that he was unaware of the term "medicant" which appears in claims 29 and 91 of the subject application, and the Examiner requested that definition for such term, as well as the source of such definition, be provided.

Attached hereto is a printout from the website Dictionary.com, which defines medicant as "a healing substance; medicine; remedy".

However, Applicant also respectfully submits that the term "medicant" is a commonly used term in the art for which no definition is required. As evidence of this assertion, 143 US patents have issued which contain the term "medicant" in the claims, and a review of the last 10 patents which have issued revealed that 7 did not provide any definition or examples for the term "medicant": see for example, US Patent Nos. 7,093,716; 7,036,500; 6,955,169; 6,926,706; 6,886,557; and 6,689,091. In addition, the Examiner's attention is also drawn to US Patent No. 6,726,015, entitled "Medicant Package", issued to Hulick on April 27, 2004; such patent also does not contain any definition for the term "medicant".

Remarks regarding additional amendments to claims 1, 13, 15, 77, 81 and 114:

The term "UDP-GlcN" was added to the list of UDP sugars in the claims; support for such amendment can be found in Table XXII of the subject application.